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23 July 1968

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 23 July 1968

DD/I advised that the last in the series of responses to Secretary Clifford's request for an exploration of alternatives to the ROLLING THUNDER program has been prepared.

DD/I advised that work is still being done on Sakharov's manifesto.

Godfrey noted that there is still no official Czech rejoinder to Soviet acceptance of a Czech site for bilateral discussions.

Godfrey commented on the dilemma and difficulties presented in preparing various Vietnam publications when it is not possible to include evidence based on highly sensitive or "no distribution" traffic. The Director urged that a review be made of the plethora of Vietnam publications and that some be ceased, particularly if they cannot be complete or meaningful. The Director also indicated that, in cases where written comment requires reference to tightly held traffic, such comments should be directed toward appropriate policy-making individuals who have access to all traffic.

D/ONE allowed that the verification Estimate has been signed, sealed, and circulated.

D/ONE reported that the Estimate on the capability to identify infiltration into South Vietnam under cease-fire conditions is moving forward and should be ready for Thursday's USIB agenda.

25X1 [] advised that he has completed a memorandum on Secretary
25X1 Rusk's letter concerning []

Maury reported that the cost-of-living bill has been reported out of Committee as H. R. 18786, though it is not clear when the bill will reach the House floor.

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Maury observed that the Henderson subcommittee is meeting in executive session today to consider a modified version of the Henderson alternative to S. 1035.

Maury advised that Senator Symington has been provided through William Darden the latest order-of-battle information on Eastern Europe.

The Director requested a meeting with relevant parties at 1030 today on his session on invasion of privacy with Senator Ervin this afternoon.

Houston indicated that the Baltimore court's decision on Heine vs. Raus has been vacated and remanded back to the Baltimore court by the 4th Circuit Court. Houston will advise on developments.



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DD/P noted Ambassador Ball's impending trip to the Far East and his desire for certain back-up arrangements from OCI.

The Director advised that the Tuesday lunch has been postponed until Wednesday, thereby giving [redacted] another twenty-four hours to wrap up his 17th-to-20th-parallel paper.

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The Director inquired and was informed by the Executive Director that BALPA Steps 2/3 have been completed with a minimum of pain and a maximum of intra-Governmental and intra-Agency cooperation. The Director was highly complimentary to Agency elements--particularly the Clandestine Services, which were most heavily involved--and urged internal Agency cooperation over the next year in effectively absorbing BALPA returnees.

The Director asked Maury to inquire of Bob Michaels the budgetary level authorized NSA by the House Appropriations Committee.



L. K. White

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